

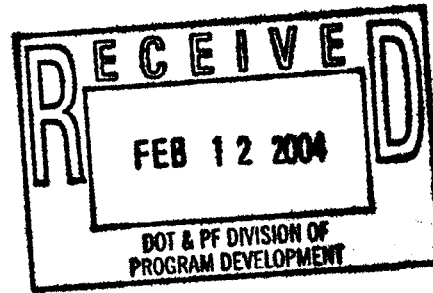


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Good Morning,

Members of the Southeast Conference Transportation Committee and the Board of Directors have reviewed your Draft Non Metropolitan Local Official Consultation Process. We agree with your concept of targeting local government officials with responsibility for transportation issues for input on transportation projects affecting their community. We would also like to suggest that you include Southeast Conference as a consultant for inter-community transportation projects, or projects with wider-reaching impacts than single communities.

While Southeast Conference has a policy to not side with one community over another within the region, we feel that our comprehensive knowledge of the region and its transportation issues, and our regional view could be a great value to the Department when considering these types of projects. Please consider adding our organization as a non-Metropolitan consultant. Thank you.

Best regards,

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Executive Director

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